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Applicants: John B. Harley and Judith A. James

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For: *DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPY OF EPSTEIN-BARR VIRUS IN
AUTOIMMUNE DISORDERS*

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 4, 2000, please amend the application as follows. Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time, along with the required fee for a small entity, to extend the period for response three months, to and including July 5, 2000. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 01-2507.

In the Claims

27. (twice amended) [An immunogenic] A peptide composition comprising a peptide molecule selected from the group consisting of PPPGRRP (SEQ ID NO:1), GRGRGRGG (SEQ ID NO:2), RGRGREK (SEQ ID NO:3), GAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGA (SEQ ID

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